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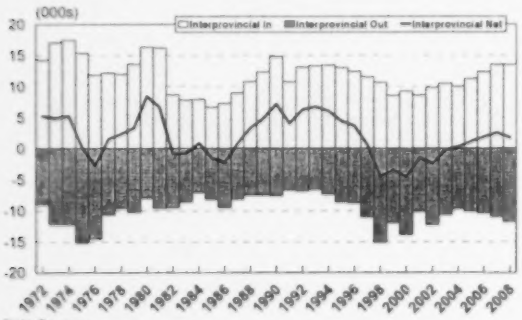
Migration Highlights ◆ First Quarter 2008

During the first quarter of 2008 the population of British Columbia grew by an estimated 14,383 persons, resulting in an April 1st, 2008 total population of 4,428,356. This growth in population was due to gains from other parts of Canada and the world, as well as an excess of births over deaths.

B.C.'s population grew at a rate of 1.5 percent between the first quarters of 2007 and 2008, the third highest for a province behind Alberta (1.8 percent) and Saskatchewan (1.8 percent). All other provinces and territories had growth rates at or below the national average of 1.1 percent.

Fig 1: Inter-provincial Migration 4th Quarter



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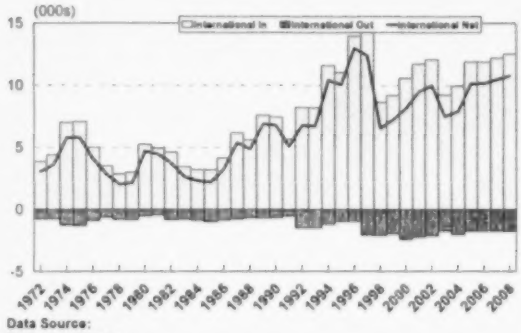
During the first quarter of 2008, B.C. gained 13,513 and lost 11,803 inter-provincial migrants, resulting in the second highest net inter-provincial migration gain (1,710), behind Saskatchewan (1,850). Despite the province's relative position nationally, this level is down from the 2,502 net inter-provincial migration gain seen in the first quarter of 2007.

The only regions to which B.C. lost population during the first quarter were the Atlantic provinces (211), Saskatchewan (189) , and the Territories (157). The largest numbers of in-migrants to the province arrived from Alberta (6,871) and Ontario (3,585).

Fig 2: International Migration 4th Quarter



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Net international migration continued as the main contributor to B.C.'s population growth over the January to April period. A total of 10,789 persons as a result of international migration were added to B.C.'s population over this quarter. The number of immigrant arrivals, 10,058 persons, composed 18.9 percent of Canada's total arrivals in the quarter.

Natural increase (the excess of births over deaths) added 1,884 persons to the population. Deaths, as the baby boom ages into the higher mortality age groups, continued to trend up, at 8,531. First quarter births (10,415) were also up over 2007.

Population Change First Quarter 2008	
Population January 1, 2008	4,413,973
Plus Interprovincial Arrivals	13,513
Minus Interprovincial Departures	11,803
Plus Immigrants	10,058
Minus Total Net Emigrants	1,753
Plus Net Non-Permanent Residents	2,484
Plus Births	10,415
Minus Deaths	8,531
Population April 1, 2008	**4,428,356**

Net Population Movement For British Columbia
Jan 2008 to Mar 2008
Net Inflow : 12,499 Persons

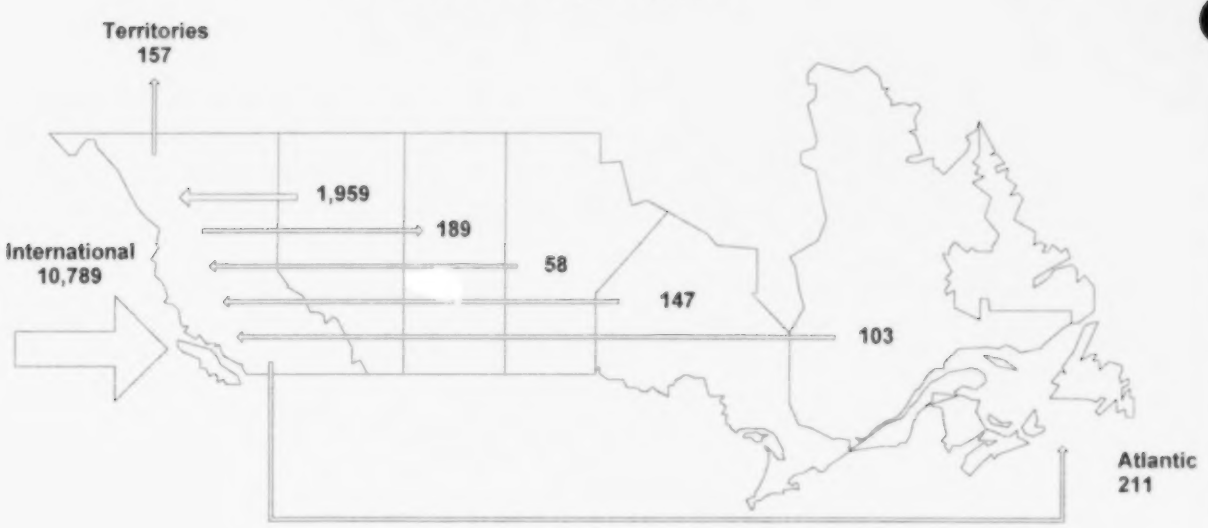

Table 1
Provincial Migration Flow
Jan 2008 to Mar 2008

Origin \ Destination	Nfld	PEI	NS	NB	Que	Ont	Man	Sask	Alta	BC	Yukon	NWT	Nvt
Nfld	-	70	419	108	33	746	10	33	1,241	154	0	68	41
PEI	90	-	168	125	0	165	8	11	324	19	0	0	0
NS	374	151	-	611	125	1,196	82	121	1,088	372	29	18	7
NB	35	173	659	-	309	904	40	41	839	181	0	5	7
Que	33	66	148	370	-	3,521	69	183	1,641	697	21	7	45
Ont	1,300	197	1,320	895	2,930	-	1,313	838	6,374	3,585	84	102	57
Man	34	8	45	41	135	1,061	-	516	1,426	618	37	64	10
Sask	32	0	55	31	124	455	529	-	2,506	808	0	12	0
Alta	1,074	147	1,135	788	679	4,173	1,402	3,558	-	6,871	75	166	7
BC	120	46	510	261	594	3,438	560	997	4,912	-	226	80	59
Yukon	0	0	19	0	8	46	0	15	93	111	-	6	0
NWT	9	52	63	22	21	136	35	57	242	84	0	-	87
Nvt	28	0	26	47	35	80	14	32	102	13	0	70	-
In-Flow	3,129	910	4,567	3,299	4,993	15,921	4,062	6,402	20,786	13,513	472	598	320
Out-Flow	2,923	910	4,174	3,193	6,801	18,995	3,995	4,552	20,075	11,803	298	808	447
Net Interprov.	206	0	393	106	-1,808	-3,074	67	1,850	713	1,710	174	-210	-127
Net Internat.										10,789			
Total Net										12,499			

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Table 2
Quarterly Components of Population Change for British Columbia

		Interprovincial			International						Total					Population at End of Period	Annual Growth Rate (%)
Year	Quarter	In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Net Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase		
1991	1	10,744	6,712	4,032	6,758	1,100	-1,115		559	5,102	9,134	10,880	5,979	4,910	14,044	3,352,426	2.6
1991	2	18,183	10,675	7,508	8,300	1,691	-615		810	6,804	14,312	11,911	6,034	5,877	20,189	3,373,464	2.5
1991	3	30,062	14,493	15,569	8,352	2,705	436	1,015	1,060	6,128	21,697	11,990	5,611	6,379	28,076	3,403,706	2.5
1991	4	15,470	8,007	7,463	8,972	1,449	-2,320	746	593	5,050	12,513	10,822	6,353	4,469	16,982	3,422,853	2.5
	Total	74,459	39,887	34,572	32,382	6,945	-3,614	1,761	3,022	23,084	57,656	45,612	23,977	21,635	79,291		
1992	1	13,061	6,829	6,232	7,768	1,411	475	690	623	6,765	12,997	11,270	6,409	4,861	17,858	3,442,877	2.7
1992	2	19,102	10,362	8,740	9,716	1,362	71	730	903	8,598	17,338	11,973	5,908	6,065	23,403	3,468,445	2.8
1992	3	30,606	14,068	16,538	10,180	2,498	988	1,010	972	8,832	25,170	11,978	5,927	6,051	31,221	3,501,832	2.9
1992	4	15,827	7,759	8,068	9,373	1,433	-2,253	749	544	5,482	13,550	10,935	6,371	4,564	18,114	3,522,112	2.9
	Total	78,596	39,018	39,578	37,037	6,704	-719	3,179	3,042	29,477	69,055	46,156	24,615	21,541	90,596		
1993	1	13,321	6,639	6,682	9,886	1,360	-1,690	691	571	6,716	13,398	11,087	7,196	3,891	17,289	3,541,586	2.9
1993	2	19,009	10,198	8,811	11,575	1,449	-1,185	731	829	9,039	17,850	11,959	6,135	5,824	23,674	3,567,406	2.9
1993	3	27,423	13,647	13,776	14,048	2,215	356	962	847	12,074	25,850	11,887	5,949	5,938	31,788	3,601,360	2.8
1993	4	15,474	7,148	8,326	10,460	1,492	-1,898	778	558	6,850	15,176	11,093	6,484	4,609	19,785	3,623,310	2.9
	Total	75,227	37,632	37,595	45,969	6,516	-4,417	3,162	2,805	34,679	72,274	46,026	25,764	20,262	92,536		
1994	1	13,417	7,399	6,018	11,790	1,052	-194	666	518	10,396	16,414	11,195	6,832	4,363	20,777	3,646,253	3.0
1994	2	20,235	10,484	9,751	13,134	1,482	-208	776	825	11,493	21,244	12,247	6,211	6,036	27,280	3,675,699	3.0
1994	3	25,655	13,216	12,439	15,248	2,340	1,809	1,045	992	14,664	27,103	12,249	6,144	6,105	33,208	3,711,072	3.0
1994	4	15,204	8,963	6,241	8,974	1,324	-1,244	764	472	8,114	12,355	11,307	6,752	4,555	16,910	3,730,148	2.9
	Total	74,511	40,062	34,449	49,146	6,198	163	3,251	2,807	42,667	77,116	46,998	25,939	21,059	98,175		
1995	1	12,991	8,654	4,337	10,063	882	979	642	554	10,072	14,409	11,226	6,961	4,265	18,674	3,750,988	2.9
1995	2	16,933	10,659	6,274	11,975	1,200	1,011	730	738	11,794	18,068	12,218	6,435	5,783	23,851	3,777,004	2.8
1995	3	21,889	14,530	7,359	12,345	2,427	2,387	1,061	1,128	12,372	19,731	12,386	6,231	6,155	25,886	3,805,056	2.5
1995	4	15,292	9,848	5,444	10,220	1,325	739	761	533	9,406	14,850	10,990	6,748	4,242	19,092	3,826,314	2.6
	Total	67,105	43,691	23,414	44,603	5,834	5,116	3,194	2,953	43,644	67,058	46,820	26,375	20,445	87,503		
1996	1	12,402	8,785	3,617	12,197	856	1,777	632	503	12,989	16,606	11,550	7,210	4,340	20,946	3,849,425	2.6
1996	2	17,376	11,771	5,605	12,966	1,207	587	728	987	12,585	18,190	11,927	6,783	5,144	23,334	3,874,276	2.6
1996	3	20,735	14,894	5,841	14,724	2,610	1,787	1,849	1,349	13,401	19,242	11,783	6,305	5,478	24,720	3,899,213	2.5
1996	4	12,215	9,480	2,735	12,138	1,603	-941	1,429	477	8,642	11,377	10,878	7,240	3,638	15,015	3,914,446	2.3
	Total	62,728	44,930	17,798	52,025	6,276	3,190	4,638	3,316	47,617	65,415	46,138	27,538	18,600	84,015		
1997	1	11,521	11,031	490	13,329	1,269	1,138	1,289	470	12,379	12,869	10,898	7,415	3,483	16,352	3,931,016	2.1
1997	2	14,961	14,147	814	13,044	1,775	832	1,501	780	11,380	12,194	11,755	6,639	5,116	17,310	3,948,544	1.9
1997	3	18,855	17,771	1,084	12,782	3,193	1,055	1,941	1,080	9,783	10,867	11,421	6,413	5,008	15,875	3,964,637	1.7
1997	4	8,692	9,100	-408	8,693	1,882	-1,108	1,455	526	4,776	4,368	10,503	6,945	3,558	7,926	3,972,781	1.5
	Total	54,029	52,049	1,980	47,848	8,119	1,917	6,186	2,858	38,318	40,298	44,577	27,412	17,165	57,463		
1998	1	10,657	15,162	-4,505	9,140	1,355	-503	1,260	515	6,546	2,041	10,608	7,773	2,835	4,876	3,977,875	1.2
1998	2	13,320	19,520	-6,200	9,832	1,760	-718	1,411	934	6,877	677	11,055	6,747	4,308	4,985	3,983,077	0.9
1998	3	13,872	17,961	-4,089	9,615	3,486	1,421	2,011	1,117	6,656	2,567	11,094	6,542	4,552	7,119	3,990,414	0.7
1998	4	8,639	11,366	-2,727	7,394	1,816	-311	1,411	445	4,301	1,574	10,315	6,916	3,399	4,973	3,995,605	0.6
	Total	46,488	64,009	-17,521	35,990	8,417	-111	6,093	3,011	24,380	6,859	43,072	27,978	15,094	21,953		
1999	1	8,515	11,951	-3,436	8,180	1,296	1,032	1,224	555	7,247	3,811	10,243	7,478	2,765	6,576	4,002,399	0.6
1999	2	12,274	16,506	-4,232	9,085	1,850	2,043	1,423	996	8,851	4,619	10,935	6,829	4,106	8,725	4,011,342	0.7
1999	3	14,999	17,681	-2,682	10,175	3,709	2,944	1,946	971	8,435	5,753	10,782	6,528	4,254	10,007	4,021,567	0.8
1999	4	7,781	9,844	-2,063	8,666	2,133	-1,431	1,441	450	4,111	2,048	9,979	7,182	2,797	4,845	4,026,630	0.8
	Total	43,569	55,982	-12,413	36,106	8,988	4,588	6,034	2,972	28,644	16,231	41,939	28,017	13,922	30,153		

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Quarterly Components of Population Change for British Columbia

		Interprovincial			International						Total Net					Population at End of	Annual Growth
Year	Quarter	In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase	Period	Rate (%)
2000	1	9,272	13,871	-4,599	8,610	1,546	1,950	1,253	396	8,157	3,558	10,162	7,282	2,880	6,438	4,033,285	0.8
2000	2	11,413	16,679	-5,266	9,495	2,092	260	1,428	732	6,967	1,701	10,682	6,688	3,994	5,695	4,039,198	0.7
2000	3	15,001	17,096	-2,095	10,316	3,517	2,320	2,002	956	8,073	5,978	10,378	6,508	3,870	9,848	4,049,264	0.7
2000	4	8,323	11,146	-2,823	8,992	1,939	75	1,444	385	6,069	3,246	9,450	6,983	2,467	5,713	4,055,195	0.7
	Total	44,009	58,792	-14,783	37,413	9,094	4,605	6,127	2,469	29,266	14,483	40,672	27,461	13,211	27,694		
2001	1	8,597	10,134	-1,537	9,401	1,375	2,325	1,244	385	9,492	7,955	9,941	7,311	2,630	10,585	4,065,998	0.8
2001	2	11,417	13,248	-1,831	10,780	1,748	2,152	1,376	742	10,550	8,719	10,598	7,013	3,585	12,304	4,078,447	1.0
2001	3	16,947	18,897	-1,950	10,512	3,785	4,911	2,129	1,002	10,511	8,561	10,444	6,793	3,651	12,212	4,090,659	1.0
2001	4	8,811	10,771	-1,960	7,698	1,619	206	1,346	486	5,425	3,465	9,502	7,243	2,349	5,814	4,096,473	1.0
	Total	45,772	53,050	-7,278	38,391	8,527	9,594	6,095	2,615	35,978	28,700	40,575	28,360	12,215	40,915		
2002	1	9,822	12,286	-2,464	9,570	1,282	2,509	1,223	388	9,962	7,498	9,605	7,672	1,933	9,431	4,105,904	1.0
2002	2	11,579	13,761	-2,182	10,205	1,690	451	1,371	794	8,389	6,207	10,291	6,989	3,302	9,509	4,115,413	0.9
2002	3	16,569	16,959	-390	7,989	2,890	4,032	2,019	1,262	8,374	7,984	10,470	6,854	3,616	11,600	4,127,013	0.9
2002	4	9,011	9,191	-180	6,297	1,507	-392	1,415	519	3,502	3,322	9,699	7,369	2,330	5,652	4,132,665	0.9
	Total	46,981	52,197	-5,216	34,061	7,369	6,600	6,028	2,963	30,227	25,011	40,065	28,884	11,181	36,192		
2003	1	10,461	10,673	-212	7,954	1,156	1,287	1,262	673	7,496	7,284	9,813	7,546	2,267	9,551	4,142,216	0.9
2003	2	12,037	12,292	-255	9,691	1,408	1,900	1,372	971	9,782	9,527	10,552	6,925	3,627	13,154	4,155,370	1.0
2003	3	15,910	13,071	2,839	9,463	2,655	1,649	1,917	1,372	7,912	10,751	10,394	6,972	3,422	14,173	4,169,543	1.0
2003	4	9,307	7,624	1,683	8,135	1,436	712	1,385	579	6,605	8,288	9,737	7,877	1,860	10,148	4,179,691	1.1
	Total	47,715	43,660	4,055	35,243	6,655	5,548	5,936	3,595	31,795	35,850	40,496	29,320	11,176	47,026		
2004	1	9,982	9,688	294	8,965	1,269	967	1,312	549	7,900	8,194	9,740	7,840	1,900	10,094	4,189,785	1.1
2004	2	15,207	12,158	3,049	10,156	1,597	-245	1,455	954	7,813	10,862	10,334	7,174	3,160	14,022	4,203,807	1.2
2004	3	14,968	12,898	2,070	10,362	2,390	2,623	1,956	1,552	10,191	12,261	10,393	7,223	3,170	15,431	4,219,238	1.2
2004	4	10,805	8,667	2,138	7,542	1,273	746	1,397	648	6,266	8,404	10,022	7,687	2,335	10,739	4,229,977	1.2
	Total	50,962	43,411	7,551	37,025	6,529	4,091	6,120	3,703	32,170	39,721	40,489	29,924	10,565	50,286		
2005	1	11,261	10,134	1,127	10,506	1,064	1,399	1,292	616	10,165	11,292	9,761	8,088	1,673	12,965	4,242,942	1.3
2005	2	17,246	14,367	2,879	12,167	1,328	670	1,424	1,141	11,226	14,105	10,455	7,256	3,199	17,304	4,260,246	1.3
2005	3	16,626	13,466	3,160	12,450	2,415	2,938	1,959	1,552	12,566	15,726	10,745	7,065	3,680	19,406	4,279,652	1.4
2005	4	8,956	8,688	268	9,653	1,283	-569	1,396	648	7,053	7,321	9,866	7,678	2,188	9,509	4,289,161	1.4
	Total	54,089	46,655	7,434	44,776	6,090	4,438	6,071	3,957	41,010	48,444	40,827	30,087	10,740	59,184		
2006	1	12,297	10,412	1,885	10,272	1,069	1,647	1,290	616	10,176	12,061	9,824	8,021	1,803	13,864	4,303,025	1.4
2006	2	15,217	11,730	3,487	11,476	1,337	597	1,424	1,141	10,453	13,940	10,700	7,410	3,290	17,230	4,320,255	1.4
2006	3	21,867	19,742	2,125	11,015	2,439	3,474	1,961	1,552	11,641	13,766	10,948	7,212	3,736	17,502	4,337,757	1.4
2006	4	13,951	11,227	2,724	9,321	1,292	-1,496	1,396	648	5,785	8,509	10,202	7,885	2,317	10,826	4,348,583	1.4
	Total	63,332	53,111	10,221	42,084	6,137	4,222	6,071	3,957	38,055	48,276	41,674	30,528	11,146	59,422		
2007	1	13,516	11,014	2,502	7,977	1,076	4,265	1,289	616	10,493	12,995	10,093	8,132	1,961	14,956	4,363,539	1.4
2007	2	18,000	14,705	3,295	9,497	1,345	2,020	1,422	1,141	9,891	13,186	11,063	7,532	3,531	16,717	4,380,256	1.4
2007	3	22,203	17,114	5,089	12,172	2,463	4,266	1,961	1,552	13,566	18,655	11,510	7,490	4,020	22,675	4,402,931	1.5
2007	4	12,073	9,574	2,499	9,281	1,302	-1,567	1,396	648	5,664	8,163	10,800	7,921	2,879	11,042	4,413,973	1.5
	Total	65,792	52,407	13,385	38,927	6,186	8,984	6,068	3,957	39,614	52,999	43,466	31,075	12,391	65,390		
2008	1	13,513	11,803	1,710	10,058	1,080	2,484	1,289	616	10,789	12,499	10,415	8,531	1,884	14,383	4,428,356	1.5

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Source: Statistics Canada. Note: Net N.P.R. - Net change in the number of Non-Permanent Residents.

Due to revisions on the part of Statistics Canada, the sum of the components may not equal the population change.

"-" indicates no data available. All figures subject to revision.

Table 3

Quarterly Components of Change Per 1000 Population for British Columbia

		Migration									Natural Increase			Total	Population	
		Interprovincial			International					Total						
Year	Quarter	In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Net Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase	Population at End of Period	Annual Growth Rate (%)
1991	1	3.2	2.0	1.2	2.0	0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.2	1.5	2.7	3.2	1.8	1.5	4.2	3,352,426	2.6
1991	2	5.4	3.2	2.2	2.5	0.5	-0.2	0.0	0.2	2.0	4.2	3.5	1.8	1.7	6.0	3,373,464	2.5
1991	3	8.8	4.3	4.6	2.5	0.8	0.1	0.3	0.3	1.8	6.4	3.5	1.6	1.9	8.2	3,403,706	2.5
1991	4	4.5	2.3	2.2	2.6	0.4	-0.7	0.2	0.2	1.5	3.7	3.2	1.9	1.3	5.0	3,422,853	2.5
1992	1	3.8	2.0	1.8	2.3	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.2	2.0	3.8	3.3	1.9	1.4	5.2	3,442,877	2.7
1992	2	5.5	3.0	2.5	2.8	0.4	0.0	0.2	0.3	2.5	5.0	3.5	1.7	1.7	6.7	3,468,445	2.8
1992	3	8.7	4.0	4.7	2.9	0.7	0.3	0.3	0.3	2.5	7.2	3.4	1.7	1.7	8.9	3,501,832	2.9
1992	4	4.5	2.2	2.3	2.7	0.4	-0.6	0.2	0.2	1.6	3.8	3.1	1.8	1.3	5.1	3,522,112	2.9
1993	1	3.8	1.9	1.9	2.8	0.4	-0.5	0.2	0.2	1.9	3.8	3.1	2.0	1.1	4.9	3,541,566	2.9
1993	2	5.3	2.9	2.5	3.2	0.4	-0.3	0.2	0.2	2.5	5.0	3.4	1.7	1.6	6.6	3,567,406	2.9
1993	3	7.6	3.8	3.8	3.9	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.2	3.4	7.2	3.3	1.7	1.6	8.8	3,601,360	2.8
1993	4	4.3	2.0	2.3	2.9	0.4	-0.5	0.2	0.2	1.9	4.2	3.1	1.8	1.3	5.5	3,623,310	2.9
1994	1	3.7	2.0	1.7	3.2	0.3	-0.1	0.2	0.1	2.9	4.5	3.1	1.9	1.2	5.7	3,646,253	3.0
1994	2	5.5	2.9	2.7	3.6	0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.2	3.1	5.8	3.3	1.7	1.6	7.4	3,675,699	3.0
1994	3	6.9	3.6	3.4	4.1	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.3	4.0	7.3	3.3	1.7	1.6	8.9	3,711,072	3.0
1994	4	4.1	2.4	1.7	2.4	0.4	-0.3	0.2	0.1	1.6	3.3	3.0	1.8	1.2	4.5	3,730,148	2.9
1995	1	3.5	2.3	1.2	2.7	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	2.7	3.8	3.0	1.9	1.1	5.0	3,750,988	2.9
1995	2	4.5	2.8	1.7	3.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	3.1	4.8	3.2	1.7	1.5	6.3	3,777,004	2.8
1995	3	5.8	3.8	1.9	3.2	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.3	3.3	5.2	3.3	1.6	1.6	6.8	3,805,056	2.5
1995	4	4.0	2.6	1.4	2.7	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	2.5	3.9	2.9	1.8	1.1	5.0	3,826,314	2.6
1996	1	3.2	2.3	0.9	3.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	3.4	4.3	3.0	1.9	1.1	5.4	3,849,425	2.6
1996	2	4.5	3.0	1.4	3.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	3.2	4.7	3.1	1.8	1.3	6.0	3,874,276	2.6
1996	3	5.3	3.8	1.5	3.8	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.3	3.4	4.9	3.0	1.6	1.4	6.3	3,899,213	2.5
1996	4	3.1	2.4	0.7	3.1	0.4	-0.2	0.4	0.1	2.2	2.9	2.8	1.8	0.9	3.8	3,914,446	2.3
1997	1	2.9	2.8	0.1	3.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	3.1	3.3	2.8	1.9	0.9	4.2	3,931,016	2.1
1997	2	3.8	3.6	0.2	3.3	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	2.9	3.1	3.0	1.7	1.3	4.4	3,948,544	1.9
1997	3	4.8	4.5	0.3	3.2	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.3	2.5	2.7	2.9	1.6	1.3	4.0	3,964,637	1.7
1997	4	2.2	2.3	-0.1	2.2	0.5	-0.3	0.4	0.1	1.2	1.1	2.6	1.7	0.9	2.0	3,972,781	1.5
1998	1	2.7	3.8	-1.1	2.3	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.1	1.6	0.5	2.7	2.0	0.7	1.2	3,977,875	1.2
1998	2	3.3	4.9	-1.6	2.5	0.4	-0.2	0.4	0.2	1.7	0.2	2.8	1.7	1.1	1.3	3,983,077	0.9
1998	3	3.5	4.5	-1.0	2.4	0.9	0.4	0.5	0.3	1.7	0.6	2.8	1.6	1.1	1.8	3,990,414	0.7
1998	4	2.2	2.8	-0.7	1.9	0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.1	1.1	0.4	2.6	1.7	0.9	1.2	3,995,605	0.6
1999	1	2.1	3.0	-0.9	2.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	1.8	1.0	2.6	1.9	0.7	1.6	4,002,399	0.6
1999	2	3.1	4.1	-1.1	2.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	2.2	1.2	2.7	1.7	1.0	2.2	4,011,342	0.7
1999	3	3.7	4.4	-0.7	2.5	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.2	2.1	1.4	2.7	1.6	1.1	2.5	4,021,567	0.8
1999	4	1.9	2.4	-0.5	2.2	0.5	-0.4	0.4	0.1	1.0	0.5	2.5	1.8	0.7	1.2	4,026,630	0.8
2000	1	2.3	3.4	-1.1	2.1	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.1	2.0	0.9	2.5	1.8	0.7	1.6	4,033,285	0.8
2000	2	2.8	4.1	-1.3	2.4	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.2	1.7	0.4	2.6	1.7	1.0	1.4	4,039,198	0.7
2000	3	3.7	4.2	-0.5	2.5	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.2	2.0	1.5	2.6	1.6	1.0	2.4	4,049,264	0.7
2000	4	2.1	2.7	-0.7	2.2	0.5	0.0	0.4	0.1	1.5	0.8	2.3	1.7	0.6	1.4	4,055,195	0.7

Table 3
Quarterly Components of Change Per 1000 Population for British Columbia

		Migration									Natural Increase			Total	Population	
		Interprovincial			International					Total						
Year	Quarter	In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Net Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase	Population at End of Period	Annual Growth Rate (%)
2001	1	2.1	2.5	-0.4	2.3	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.1	2.3	2.0	2.4	1.8	0.6	2.6	4,065,998	0.8
2001	2	2.8	3.2	-0.4	2.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.2	2.6	2.1	2.6	1.7	0.9	3.0	4,078,447	1.0
2001	3	4.1	4.6	-0.5	2.6	0.9	1.2	0.5	0.2	2.6	2.1	2.6	1.7	0.9	3.0	4,090,659	1.0
2001	4	2.2	2.6	-0.5	1.9	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.1	1.3	0.8	2.3	1.8	0.6	1.4	4,096,473	1.0
2002	1	2.4	3.0	-0.6	2.3	0.3	0.8	0.3	0.1	2.4	1.8	2.3	1.9	0.5	2.3	4,105,904	1.0
2002	2	2.8	3.3	-0.5	2.5	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.2	2.0	1.5	2.5	1.7	0.8	2.3	4,115,413	0.9
2002	3	4.0	4.1	-0.1	1.9	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.3	2.0	1.9	2.5	1.7	0.9	2.8	4,127,013	0.9
2002	4	2.2	2.2	0.0	1.5	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.1	0.8	0.8	2.3	1.8	0.6	1.4	4,132,665	0.9
2003	1	2.5	2.6	-0.1	1.9	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	1.8	1.8	2.4	1.8	0.5	2.3	4,142,216	0.9
2003	2	2.9	3.0	-0.1	2.3	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	2.4	2.3	2.5	1.7	0.9	3.2	4,155,370	1.0
2003	3	3.8	3.1	0.7	2.3	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.3	1.9	2.6	2.5	1.7	0.8	3.4	4,169,543	1.0
2003	4	2.2	1.8	0.4	1.9	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	1.6	2.0	2.3	1.9	0.4	2.4	4,179,691	1.1
2004	1	2.4	2.3	0.1	2.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	1.9	2.0	2.3	1.9	0.5	2.4	4,189,785	1.1
2004	2	3.6	2.9	0.7	2.4	0.4	-0.1	0.3	0.2	1.9	2.6	2.5	1.7	0.8	3.3	4,203,807	1.2
2004	3	3.5	3.1	0.5	2.5	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.4	2.4	2.9	2.5	1.7	0.8	3.7	4,219,238	1.2
2004	4	2.6	2.0	0.5	1.8	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.5	2.0	2.4	1.8	0.6	2.5	4,229,977	1.2
2005	1	2.7	2.4	0.3	2.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	2.4	2.7	2.3	1.9	0.4	3.1	4,242,942	1.3
2005	2	4.0	3.4	0.7	2.9	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	2.6	3.3	2.5	1.7	0.8	4.1	4,260,246	1.3
2005	3	3.9	3.1	0.7	2.9	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.4	2.9	3.7	2.5	1.7	0.9	4.5	4,279,652	1.4
2005	4	2.1	2.0	0.1	2.3	0.3	-0.1	0.3	0.2	1.6	1.7	2.3	1.8	0.5	2.2	4,289,161	1.4
2006	1	2.9	2.4	0.4	2.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	2.4	2.8	2.3	1.9	0.4	3.2	4,303,025	1.4
2006	2	3.5	2.7	0.8	2.7	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.3	2.4	3.2	2.5	1.7	0.8	4.0	4,320,255	1.4
2006	3	5.0	4.6	0.5	2.5	0.6	0.8	0.5	0.4	2.7	3.2	2.5	1.7	0.9	4.0	4,337,757	1.4
2006	4	3.2	2.6	0.6	2.1	0.3	-0.3	0.3	0.1	1.3	2.0	2.3	1.8	0.5	2.5	4,348,583	1.4
2007	1	3.1	2.5	0.6	1.8	0.2	1.0	0.3	0.1	2.4	3.0	2.3	1.9	0.4	3.4	4,363,539	1.4
2007	2	4.1	3.4	0.8	2.2	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.3	3.0	2.5	1.7	0.8	3.8	4,380,256	1.4
2007	3	5.0	3.9	1.2	2.8	0.6	1.0	0.4	0.4	3.1	4.2	2.6	1.7	0.9	5.1	4,402,931	1.5
2007	4	2.7	2.2	0.6	2.1	0.3	-0.4	0.3	0.1	1.3	1.8	2.4	1.8	0.7	2.5	4,413,973	1.5
2008	1	3.1	2.7	0.4	2.3	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.1	2.4	2.8	2.4	1.9	0.4	3.2	4,428,356	1.5

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Source: Statistics Canada. Note: Net N.P.R. - Net change in the number of Non-Permanent Residents.
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Table 4

Quarterly Components of Population Change for Canada

		Migration									Natural Increase			Total	Population	
		Interprovincial			International											
Year	Quarte	In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Total Net Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase	Population at End of Period	Annual Growth Rate (%)
1992	1	0	0	0	56,579	8,385	164	4,281	3,114	47,191	47,191	98,480	51,436	47,044	94,235	28,264,832	1.2
1992	2	0	0	0	63,300	9,529	-3,610	4,529	4,515	50,147	50,147	105,146	47,715	57,431	107,578	28,366,737	1.2
1992	3	0	0	0	70,126	16,921	2,018	6,265	5,092	54,050	54,050	101,832	46,890	54,942	108,992	28,470,057	1.2
1992	4	0	0	0	64,851	9,732	-30,505	4,652	2,852	22,814	22,814	93,185	50,494	42,691	65,505	28,529,894	1.3
	Total	0	0	0	254,856	44,567	-31,933	19,727	15,573	174,202	174,202	398,643	196,535	202,108	376,310		
1993	1	0	0	0	62,298	8,106	-20,281	4,287	2,991	32,615	32,615	94,801	54,204	40,597	73,212	28,597,431	1.2
1993	2	0	0	0	69,615	9,234	-22,417	4,540	4,344	37,768	37,768	102,363	50,220	52,143	89,911	28,681,676	1.1
1993	3	0	0	0	71,534	17,550	3,160	5,972	5,042	56,214	56,214	99,855	48,135	51,720	107,934	28,783,938	1.1
1993	4	0	0	0	53,307	11,828	-23,754	4,830	3,313	16,208	16,208	91,375	52,353	39,022	55,230	28,833,496	1.1
	Total	0	0	0	256,754	46,718	-63,292	19,629	15,690	142,805	142,805	388,394	204,912	183,482	326,287		
1994	1	0	0	0	50,665	8,338	-1,365	4,132	3,092	39,922	39,922	93,553	55,849	37,704	77,626	28,905,452	1.1
1994	2	0	0	0	59,854	11,740	-237	4,812	4,911	47,976	47,976	101,376	50,127	51,249	99,225	28,999,006	1.1
1994	3	0	0	0	66,559	21,204	5,673	6,487	6,620	51,161	51,161	99,235	48,607	50,628	101,789	29,095,125	1.1
1994	4	0	0	0	47,317	11,999	-20,571	4,744	3,151	13,154	13,154	90,950	52,494	38,456	51,610	29,141,062	1.1
	Total	0	0	0	224,395	53,281	-16,500	20,175	17,774	152,213	152,213	385,114	207,077	178,037	330,250		
1995	1	0	0	0	50,904	7,991	-3,168	3,984	3,696	39,457	39,457	92,452	56,323	36,129	75,586	29,210,978	1.1
1995	2	0	0	0	55,958	10,875	3,914	4,530	4,921	49,388	49,388	99,361	51,965	47,396	96,784	29,302,091	1.0
1995	3	0	0	0	58,259	20,191	12,352	6,587	6,814	50,647	50,647	98,615	49,219	49,396	100,043	29,396,463	1.0
1995	4	0	0	0	47,754	11,028	-12,929	4,718	3,221	22,300	22,300	87,588	53,226	34,362	56,662	29,447,457	1.1
	Total	0	0	0	212,875	50,085	169	19,819	18,652	161,792	161,792	378,016	210,733	167,283	329,075		
1996	1	0	0	0	51,288	7,126	-3,960	3,921	3,041	39,322	39,322	90,013	55,962	34,051	73,373	29,515,159	1.0
1996	2	0	0	0	60,177	10,051	3,711	4,519	5,959	55,277	55,277	96,237	51,359	44,878	100,155	29,610,757	1.1
1996	3	0	0	0	62,750	18,995	11,482	7,792	8,313	55,758	55,758	94,640	49,897	44,743	100,501	29,708,936	1.1
1996	4	0	0	0	51,846	11,666	-20,900	6,019	2,935	16,196	16,196	85,310	55,662	29,648	45,844	29,752,456	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	226,061	47,838	-9,667	22,251	20,248	166,553	166,553	366,200	212,880	153,320	319,873		
1997	1	0	0	0	52,844	9,234	2,006	5,431	2,895	43,080	43,080	84,968	59,109	25,859	68,939	29,819,070	1.0
1997	2	0	0	0	57,417	12,920	7,594	6,322	4,813	50,582	50,582	92,395	52,553	39,842	90,424	29,907,172	1.0
1997	3	0	0	0	60,845	20,201	12,484	8,178	6,591	51,541	51,541	89,500	49,686	39,814	91,355	29,996,204	1.0
1997	4	0	0	0	44,928	11,908	-21,293	6,132	3,224	8,819	8,819	81,735	54,321	27,414	36,233	30,030,113	0.9
	Total	0	0	0	216,034	54,263	791	26,063	17,523	154,022	154,022	348,598	215,669	132,929	286,951		
1998	1	0	0	0	42,813	8,569	367	5,310	3,148	32,449	32,449	83,424	61,737	21,687	54,136	30,081,925	0.9
1998	2	0	0	0	45,873	11,138	4,459	5,943	5,708	38,959	38,959	90,464	51,944	38,520	77,479	30,157,082	0.8
1998	3	0	0	0	47,317	19,813	14,716	8,471	6,298	40,047	40,047	88,881	49,947	38,934	78,981	30,233,741	0.8
1998	4	0	0	0	38,181	10,319	-18,621	5,944	2,511	5,808	5,808	79,649	54,463	25,186	30,994	30,262,408	0.8
	Total	0	0	0	174,184	49,839	921	25,668	17,665	117,263	117,263	342,418	218,091	124,327	241,590		
1999	1	0	0	0	40,153	7,364	5,649	5,157	3,100	36,381	36,381	81,890	61,232	20,658	57,039	30,317,125	0.8
1999	2	0	0	0	47,543	10,512	16,573	5,995	5,582	53,191	53,191	87,875	51,990	35,885	89,076	30,403,878	0.8
1999	3	0	0	0	53,841	18,812	22,201	8,196	6,735	55,769	55,769	87,772	50,205	37,567	93,336	30,494,888	0.9
1999	4	0	0	0	48,434	10,821	-21,992	6,071	3,124	12,674	12,674	79,712	56,103	23,609	36,283	30,528,850	0.9
	Total	0	0	0	189,971	47,509	22,431	25,419	18,541	158,015	158,015	337,249	219,530	117,719	275,734		
2000	1	0	0	0	45,564	7,843	11,842	5,280	2,747	47,030	47,030	82,627	59,012	23,615	70,645	30,597,172	0.9
2000	2	0	0	0	57,871	10,613	12,981	6,017	5,074	59,296	59,296	86,801	51,909	34,892	94,188	30,689,035	0.9
2000	3	0	0	0	66,518	19,583	23,335	8,435	6,940	68,775	68,775	83,173	51,192	31,981	100,756	30,787,468	1.0
2000	4	0	0	0	57,476	10,802	-19,725	6,086	2,789	23,652	23,652	75,281	55,949	19,332	42,984	30,828,130	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	227,429	48,841	28,433	25,818	17,550	198,753	198,753	327,882	218,062	109,820	308,573		

Table 4

Quarterly Components of Population Change for Canada

Year	Quarte	Migration									Natural Increase			Total	Population	
		Interprovincial			International					Total						
		In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Net Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase	Population at End of Period	Annual Growth Rate (%)
2001	1	0	0	0	58,475	7,652	15,112	5,243	2,794	63,486	63,486	81,350	57,986	23,364	86,850	30,912,657	1.0
2001	2	0	0	0	70,064	9,729	16,905	5,799	5,387	76,828	76,828	87,303	53,987	33,316	110,144	31,021,251	1.1
2001	3	0	0	0	69,900	17,587	30,478	8,968	6,785	80,608	80,608	86,123	52,159	33,964	114,572	31,135,823	1.1
2001	4	0	0	0	52,132	7,525	-19,159	5,670	3,285	23,063	23,063	78,968	55,406	23,562	46,625	31,182,448	1.1
	Total	0	0	0	250,571	42,493	43,336	25,680	18,251	243,985	243,985	333,744	219,538	114,206	358,191		
2002	1	0	0	0	61,583	5,959	9,746	5,148	2,627	62,849	62,849	79,345	58,799	20,546	83,395	31,265,843	1.1
2002	2	0	0	0	72,719	7,857	12,685	5,774	5,382	77,155	77,155	83,719	54,130	29,589	106,744	31,372,587	1.1
2002	3	0	0	0	52,926	14,952	27,994	8,502	7,864	65,330	65,330	86,618	53,441	33,177	98,507	31,471,094	1.1
2002	4	0	0	0	41,843	7,797	-19,214	5,965	3,237	12,104	12,104	79,120	57,233	21,887	33,991	31,505,085	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	229,071	36,565	31,211	25,389	19,110	217,438	217,438	328,802	223,603	105,199	322,637		
2003	1	0	0	0	45,560	5,978	13,236	5,315	4,191	51,694	51,694	79,299	58,390	20,909	72,603	31,577,688	1.0
2003	2	0	0	0	58,864	7,286	15,897	5,779	6,048	67,744	67,744	85,486	54,841	30,645	98,389	31,676,077	1.0
2003	3	0	0	0	63,340	14,524	14,351	8,076	9,024	64,115	64,115	88,856	53,411	35,445	99,560	31,775,637	1.0
2003	4	0	0	0	53,588	7,853	-20,028	5,835	3,799	23,671	23,671	81,561	59,527	22,034	45,705	31,821,342	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	221,352	35,641	23,456	25,005	23,062	207,224	207,224	335,202	226,169	109,033	316,257		
2004	1	0	0	0	54,912	6,942	6,779	5,525	3,610	52,834	52,834	81,583	61,052	20,531	73,365	31,894,707	1.0
2004	2	0	0	0	67,242	8,738	10,924	6,128	6,269	69,569	69,569	85,762	54,839	30,923	100,492	31,995,199	1.0
2004	3	0	0	0	65,578	16,065	15,311	8,242	8,835	65,417	65,417	87,992	52,781	35,211	100,628	32,095,827	1.0
2004	4	0	0	0	48,092	8,555	-20,053	5,886	3,691	17,289	17,289	81,735	57,912	23,823	41,112	32,136,939	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	235,824	40,300	12,961	25,781	22,405	205,109	205,109	337,072	226,584	110,488	315,597		
2005	1	0	0	0	56,438	7,150	3,259	5,444	3,508	50,611	50,611	81,190	62,804	18,386	68,997	32,205,936	1.0
2005	2	0	0	0	74,471	8,928	7,620	5,998	6,498	73,663	73,663	88,353	55,875	32,478	106,141	32,312,077	1.0
2005	3	0	0	0	75,945	16,231	12,878	8,253	8,835	73,174	73,174	90,369	53,905	36,464	109,638	32,421,715	1.0
2005	4	0	0	0	55,385	8,621	-23,259	5,884	3,691	21,312	21,312	82,264	58,656	23,608	44,920	32,466,635	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	262,239	40,930	498	25,579	22,532	218,760	218,760	342,176	231,240	110,936	329,696		
2006	1	0	0	0	55,134	7,187	8,608	5,437	3,508	54,626	54,626	83,149	61,351	21,798	76,424	32,543,059	1.0
2006	2	0	0	0	67,908	8,986	14,199	5,994	6,498	73,625	73,625	89,573	56,775	32,798	106,423	32,649,482	1.0
2006	3	0	0	0	70,358	16,393	14,020	8,264	8,835	68,556	68,556	92,407	55,197	37,210	105,766	32,755,248	1.0
2006	4	0	0	0	58,245	8,688	-28,888	5,884	3,691	18,476	18,476	85,052	60,092	24,960	43,436	32,798,684	1.0
	Total	0	0	0	251,645	41,254	7,939	25,579	22,532	215,283	215,283	350,181	233,415	116,766	332,049		
2007	1	0	0	0	47,877	7,230	13,556	5,431	3,508	52,280	52,280	84,068	64,306	19,762	72,042	32,870,726	1.0
2007	2	0	0	0	61,647	9,038	19,196	5,988	6,498	72,315	72,315	91,321	58,336	32,985	105,300	32,976,026	1.0
2007	3	0	0	0	71,641	16,554	22,069	8,264	8,835	77,727	77,727	94,186	56,711	37,475	115,202	33,091,228	1.0
2007	4	0	0	0	55,593	8,752	-16,918	5,884	3,691	27,730	27,730	86,596	61,944	24,652	52,382	33,143,610	1.1
	Total	0	0	0	236,758	41,574	37,903	25,567	22,532	230,052	230,052	356,171	241,297	114,874	344,926		
2008	1	0	0	0	53,138	7,259	16,256	5,431	3,508	60,212	60,212	85,966	65,948	20,018	80,230	33,223,840	1.1

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Due to revisions on the part of Statistics Canada, the sum of the components may not equal the population change.
All figures subject to revision.

Table 5

Quarterly Components of Change Per 1000 Population for Canada

Year	Quarte	Migration										Natural Increase			Total	Population	
		Interprovincial			International					Total Net							
		In	Out	Net	Immigration	Emigration	Net N.P.R.	Temp. Abroad	Returning Emigrants	Net	Migration	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Total Increase	Population at End of Period	Annual Growth Rate (%)
1992	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.3	0.0		0.1	1.7	1.7	3.5	1.8	1.7	3.3	28,264,832	1.2
1992	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.3	-0.1		0.2	1.8	1.8	3.7	1.7	2.0	3.8	28,368,737	1.2
1992	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.6	0.1		0.2	1.9	1.9	3.6	1.6	1.9	3.8	28,470,057	1.2
1992	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.3	-1.1		0.1	0.8	0.8	3.3	1.8	1.5	2.3	28,529,884	1.3
1993	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.3	-0.7		0.1	1.1	1.1	3.3	1.9	1.4	2.6	28,597,431	1.2
1993	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.3	-0.8		0.2	1.3	1.3	3.6	1.8	1.8	3.1	28,681,676	1.1
1993	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.5	0.6	0.1		0.2	2.0	2.0	3.5	1.7	1.8	3.7	28,783,938	1.1
1993	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.4	-0.8		0.1	0.6	0.6	3.2	1.8	1.4	1.9	28,833,496	1.1
1994	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.3	-0.0		0.1	1.4	1.4	3.2	1.9	1.3	2.7	28,905,452	1.1
1994	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.4	-0.0		0.2	1.7	1.7	3.5	1.7	1.8	3.4	28,999,006	1.1
1994	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.7	0.2		0.2	1.8	1.8	3.4	1.7	1.7	3.5	29,095,125	1.1
1994	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.4	-0.7		0.1	0.5	0.5	3.1	1.8	1.3	1.8	29,141,082	1.1
1995	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.3	-0.1		0.1	1.4	1.4	3.2	1.9	1.2	2.6	29,210,978	1.1
1995	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.4	0.1		0.2	1.7	1.7	3.4	1.8	1.6	3.3	29,302,091	1.0
1995	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.7	0.4		0.2	1.7	1.7	3.4	1.7	1.7	3.4	29,396,463	1.0
1995	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.4	-0.4		0.1	0.8	0.8	3.0	1.8	1.2	1.9	29,447,457	1.1
1996	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1	1.3	1.3	3.0	1.9	1.2	2.5	29,515,159	1.0
1996	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.9	1.9	3.3	1.7	1.5	3.4	29,610,757	1.1
1996	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.9	1.9	3.2	1.7	1.5	3.4	29,708,936	1.1
1996	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.4	-0.7	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	2.9	1.9	1.0	1.5	29,752,458	1.0
1997	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	1.4	1.4	2.8	2.0	0.9	2.3	29,819,070	1.0
1997	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.7	1.7	3.1	1.8	1.3	3.0	29,907,172	1.0
1997	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.7	0.4	0.3	0.2	1.7	1.7	3.0	1.7	1.3	3.0	29,996,204	1.0
1997	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.4	-0.7	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	2.7	1.8	0.9	1.2	30,030,113	0.9
1998	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	1.1	1.1	2.8	2.1	0.7	1.8	30,081,925	0.9
1998	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.3	1.3	3.0	1.7	1.3	2.6	30,157,082	0.8
1998	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.2	1.3	1.3	2.9	1.7	1.3	2.6	30,233,741	0.8
1998	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.3	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	2.8	1.8	0.8	1.0	30,262,408	0.8
1999	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	1.2	1.2	2.7	2.0	0.7	1.9	30,317,125	0.8
1999	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	1.7	1.7	2.9	1.7	1.2	2.9	30,403,878	0.8
1999	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.2	1.8	1.8	2.9	1.6	1.2	3.1	30,494,868	0.9
1999	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.4	-0.7	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.4	2.8	1.8	0.8	1.2	30,526,850	0.9
2000	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.1	1.5	1.5	2.7	1.9	0.8	2.3	30,597,172	0.9
2000	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	1.9	1.9	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.1	30,689,035	0.9
2000	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.6	0.8	0.3	0.2	2.2	2.2	2.7	1.7	1.0	3.3	30,787,468	1.0
2000	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.4	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.8	2.4	1.8	0.6	1.4	30,828,130	1.0
2001	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	2.1	2.1	2.8	1.9	0.8	2.8	30,912,657	1.0
2001	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	2.5	2.5	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.6	31,021,251	1.1
2001	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.6	1.0	0.3	0.2	2.6	2.6	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.7	31,135,823	1.1
2001	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.2	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.7	2.5	1.9	0.6	1.5	31,182,448	1.1
2002	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	2.0	2.0	2.5	1.9	0.7	2.7	31,265,843	1.1
2002	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	2.5	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.9	3.4	31,372,587	1.1
2002	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.5	0.9	0.3	0.2	2.1	2.1	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.1	31,471,094	1.1
2002	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.2	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.4	2.5	1.8	0.7	1.1	31,505,085	1.0
2003	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	1.6	1.6	2.5	1.8	0.7	2.3	31,577,688	1.0
2003	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.2	2.1	2.1	2.7	1.7	1.0	3.1	31,676,077	1.0
2003	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.0	2.0	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.1	31,775,637	1.0
2003	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.2	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.7	2.6	1.9	0.7	1.4	31,821,342	1.0
2004	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	1.7	1.7	2.6	1.9	0.6	2.3	31,894,707	1.0
2004	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	2.2	2.2	2.7	1.7	1.0	3.1	31,995,198	1.0
2004	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3	2.0	2.0	2.7	1.6	1.1	3.1	32,095,827	1.0
2004	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.3	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	2.5	1.8	0.7	1.3	32,136,939	1.0
2005	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	1.6	1.6	2.5	2.0	0.6	2.1	32,205,938	1.0
2005	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.3	2.3	2.7	1.7	1.0	3.3	32,312,077	1.0
2005	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	2.3	2.3	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.4	32,421,715	1.0
2005	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.3	-0.7	0.2	0.1	0.7	0.7	2.5	1.8	0.7	1.4	32,466,635	1.0
2006	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	1.7	1.7	2.8	1.9	0.7	2.3	32,543,059	1.0
2006	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.2	2.3	2.3	2.7	1.7	1.0	3.3	32,649,482	1.0
2006	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.3	2.1	2.1	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.2	32,755,243	1.0
2006	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.3	-0.9	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.6	2.6	1.8	0.8	1.3	32,798,684	1.0
2007	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.1	1.6	1.6	2.8	2.0	0.8	2.2	32,870,726	1.0
2007	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.2	2.2	2.2	2.8	1.8	1.0	3.2	32,976,026	1.0
2007	3	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.3	2.3	2.3	2.8	1.7	1.1	3.5	33,091,228	1.0
2007	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	0.3	-0.5	0.2	0.1	0.8	0.8	2.6	1.9	0.7	1.6	33,143,610	1.1
2008	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.1	1.8	1.8	2.8	2.0	0.8	2.4	33,223,840	1.1

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B.C.'s Inter-Provincial Migrants: A Changing Age Distribution

British Columbia's population, along with the rest of Canada, is growing older. In 1977 the median age of British Columbians was 29. As of 2007 this median age has risen to 40. At the same time, the median age of inter-provincial migrants to and from British Columbia has increased. This article examines what impact the aging of the population has had on inter-provincial migration, and what implications recent trends may hold for the future.

Age Structure of the Population

Over the past three decades, B.C. has experienced significant changes in the relative size of certain age groups. Figure 1 displays the population level of four age groups. Clearly, since the mid-1990's population growth in the province has been due to an increasing number of individuals in the 45-64 and 65+ age groups. Figure 2 shows that B.C.'s experience has been shared throughout Canada.

Most of the recent lack of growth among the lower two age groups is a result of declines in birthrates, while increased life expectancies and the aging of the "baby-boom" cohort (individuals born between 1946 and 1964) account for much of the growth in the older age groups.

This aging has many important implications, ranging from the relative size of the labour force to delivery of health services. This article focuses only on the impact of an older population on inter-provincial migration.

Table 1: Median Age

		1977	2007
Population	B.C.	29.3	40.0
	Canada	28.1	39.0
Inter-Provincial In-Migrants	B.C.	24.4	30.2
	Canada	23.6	28.2
Inter-Provincial Out-Migrants	B.C.	23.7	28.6
	Canada	23.6	28.2

Figure 1: B.C. Population by Age Group

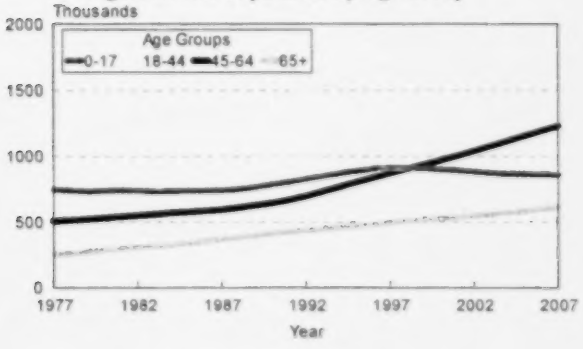
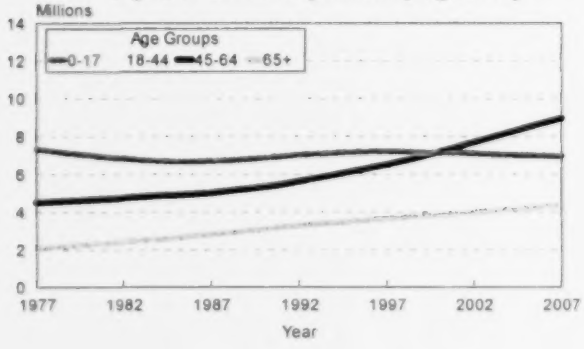


Figure 2: Canada Population by Age Group



Age Structure of Inter-Provincial Migrants

Similar to the aging of the population at large, the average age of migrants is increasing, as seen in Table 1. Figures 4 and 5 show how the levels of migration have varied over the past three decades. While the level of 18-44 year olds migrating has fluctuated significantly with cycles of the economy, there does appear to be a trend of fewer migrants aged 0-17, and more 45-64 and 65+.

The migration of 0-17 year olds is generally children moving with their parents, who are usually in the 18-44 age group. A reduction in the number of children relative to parents is to be expected, as birthrates have been declining steadily in the past three decades. In other words, adults have fewer children to bring with them when migrating to another province. Increases in the 45-64 and 65+ age groups are also not surprising. Longer life expectancies as well as the aging baby-boom cohort have increased the number of individuals in these age groups, so there is a larger pool from which to draw migrants.

Figures 6 and 7 show that relative to the size of the age groups, the rate of migration has declined since 1977. However, the decline among 45-64 and 65+ year olds is much smaller than among the younger two age groups. A non-increasing proportion of older individuals migrating means that the number of migrants 45-64 and 65+ is increasing simply because there are more of these individuals in the population. Thus, in the near future it is unlikely that the numbers of older migrants will increase at a rate faster than the growth of these age groups.

The large decline in the rate of migration among 0-17 and 18-44 year olds, and the growth of the size of the older two age groups, have together begun to change the age distribution of migrants. Figures 8 and 9 show how the percentage of migrants aged 45-64 and 65+ has increased, while the percentage aged 0-17 has fallen, all while the percentage aged 18-44 has remained relatively steady. So long as the baby-boom cohort continues to age, and birthrates show no signs of increasing, this trend can be expected to carry on.

Nonetheless, because these changes are occurring in both in- and out-migration, the effect on net-migration to B.C. is relatively smaller. Figure 3 shows that in recent years the upper age groups have constituted a larger proportion of the net inflow of migrants to the province, but whether this is a trend that will continue is unclear.

Figure 3: Inter-Provincial Net-Migration

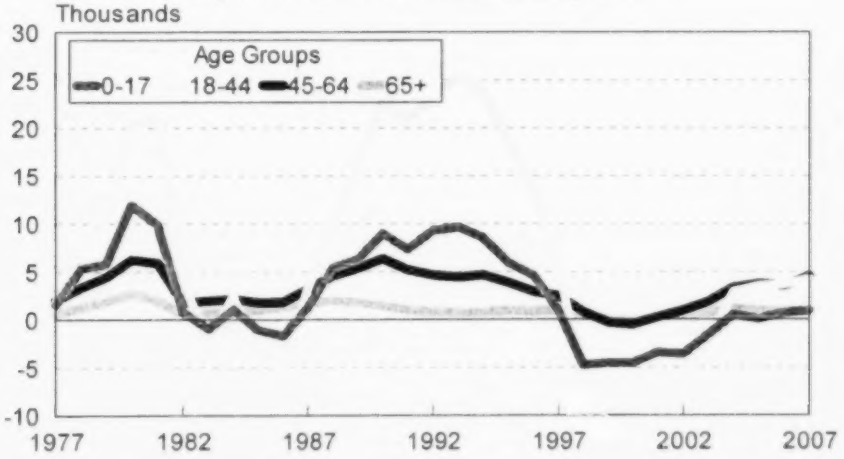
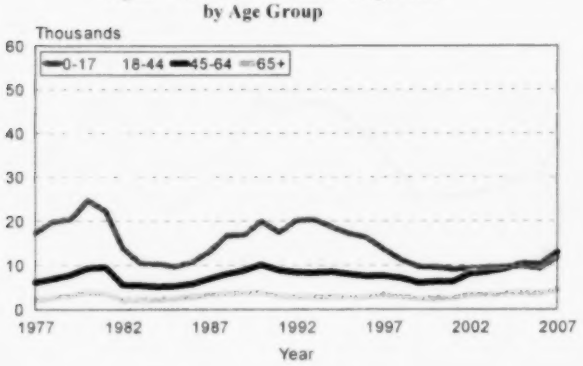


Figure 4: Inter-Provincial In-Migration by Age Group



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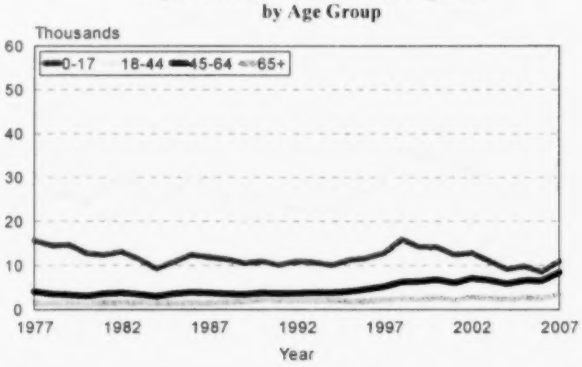
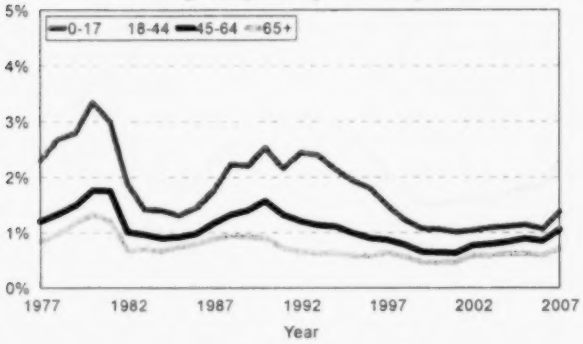


Figure 6: Inter-Provincial In-Migration As Percentage of Age Group in B.C. Population



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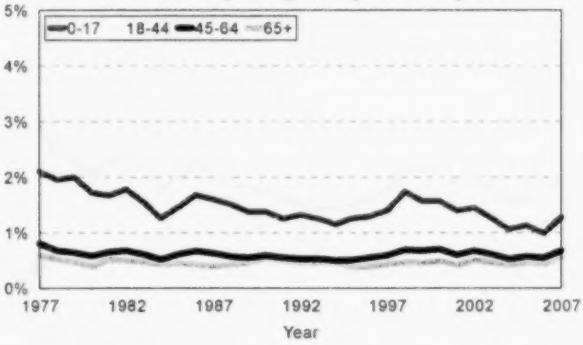

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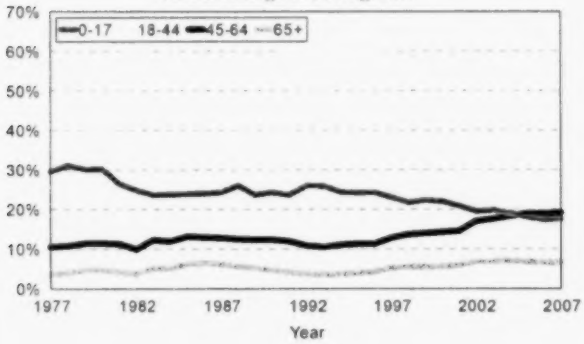
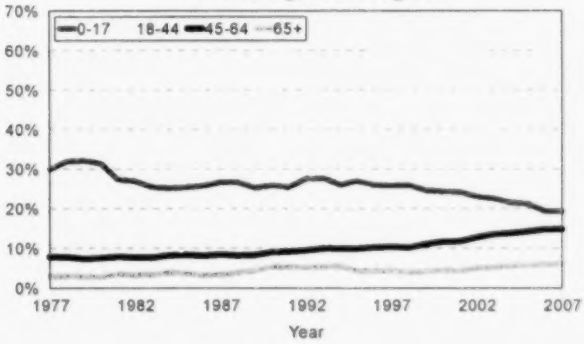


Figure 9: Inter-Provincial Out-Migration As Percentage of Out-Migrants



Motivations to Migrate

Despite the increasing proportion of older individuals, the majority of inter-provincial migrants are still members of the younger age groups. Younger people tend to be the most mobile, and there are a number of reasons for this. In the late teens and early twenties, people often move away from home for the first time to receive education or start a career. The late twenties and thirties are a time when individuals may move again to a new job or to start families, taking their children with them. In general, moving is a costly venture, but it may be less costly for the young because they are less likely to be deeply invested in a particular place and have a longer future to reap the potential economic benefits of a move.

Older individuals, on the other hand, generally have slightly different reasons to move. The search for better employment can still be a large motivator, but individuals may also choose to relocate upon retirement, taking climate and life-style of their destination into larger consideration than the young. Additionally, the availability of services, especially health care services among the elderly, can be an important motivator to move, or a significant factor in choosing where to move.

These distinctions are important because forecasting inter-provincial migration requires consideration of an individual's motivations for migration. Since the young and old may have significantly different motivations, a change in the composition of migrants to older individuals may affect the predictive power of current forecasting methods.

Implications of Older Inter-Provincial Migrants

The changing age distribution of inter-provincial migrants seems to generally mirror the changing structure of the provincial population as a whole. It does not appear that inter-provincial migration is a significant factor in increasing the age of B.C.'s population. Still, attention must be paid to the changing composition of inter-provincial migrants.

Older people have historically migrated less frequently than the young. If the composition of inter-provincial migrants shifts to include a greater proportion of older individuals, this may reduce the flows, but not necessarily the net population impact, of inter-provincial migration.

A greater proportion of older individuals may also change the dynamics of migrants. Migration is highly correlated with economic factors such as GDP and unemployment rates, but it is also driven by non-economic factors such as climate and life-style. To an older population, the economic factors may become a less important determinant of migration.